

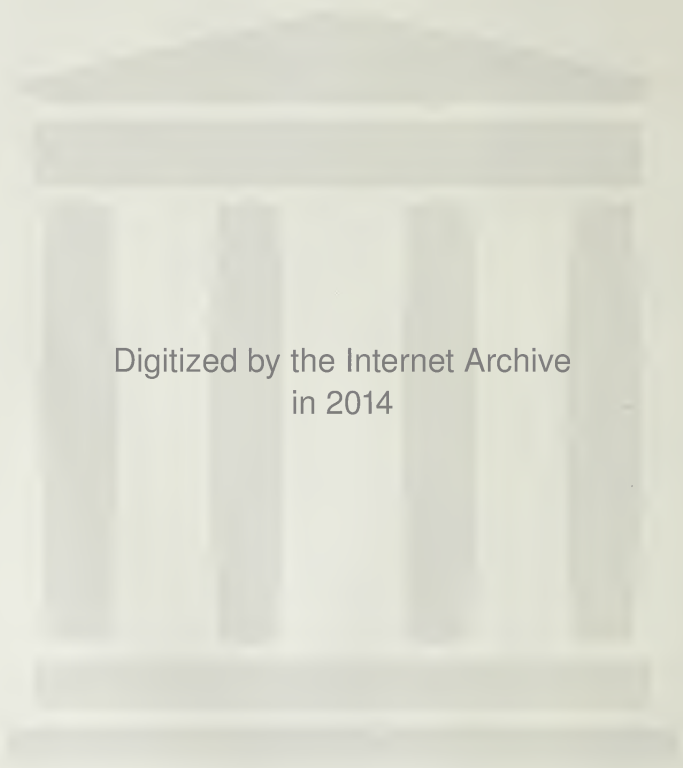
GEN

ALLEN COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY



3 1833 02710 8726

Gc 974.402 W55a 1905-1906
Whately (Mass.)
Annual report of the town
officers of the town of
Whately



Digitized by the Internet Archive
in 2014

ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE
TOWN OFFICERS

OF THE



TOWN OF WHATELY

FOR THE

YEAR 1905-6

ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

TOWN OFFICERS

OF THE



TOWN OF WHATELY

FOR THE

YEAR 1905-6

GAZETTE PRINTING COMPANY,
NORTHAMPTON, MASS.

Allen County Public Library
900 Webster Street
PO Box 2270
Fort Wayne, IN 46801-2270

Whately Town Warrant.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.

FRANKLIN, SS.

To William H. Adkins, Constable of the Town of Whately,

GREETING :

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of said Town, qualified to vote in elections and town affairs, to meet at the Town Hall, in said Whately, on Monday, the fifth day of March next, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, then and there to act on the following articles :

ARTICLE 1.—To choose a Moderator to preside at said meeting.

ART. 2.—To choose all necessary town officers—Clerk, Treasurer, Selectmen, Assessors, School Committee, Auditor, Cemetery Commissioner, Library Trustee, Elector under the Will of Oliver Smith, Tree Warden, all to be voted for on one ballot. The ballot for the ladies will contain the name of School Committee only.

ART. 3.—To vote “Yes” or “No” upon the question, “Shall license be granted for the sale of intoxicating liquors in this Town ?”

ART. 4.—To receive and act upon the reports of all Officers, Committees, Commissioners, Trustees of the Town.

ART. 5.—To raise such sums of money as may be necessary to defray Town charges for the coming year and appropriate the same.

ART. 6.—To act upon the list of Jurors prepared by the Registrars.

ART. 7.—To see what the Town will do with the money received from the county, called the Dog Fund.

ART. 8.—To see if the Town will make an appropriation for the Public Library.

ART. 9.—To see if the Town will employ a Superintendent of Schools and raise money for his salary.

ART. 10.—To see if the Town will raise five per cent. or any fixed per cent. on amount of Town Grant, State and County Taxes, the same to be allowed to those who pay their taxes on or before August 1st, 1906.

ART. 11.—To see if the Town will instruct the Selectmen to borrow money if necessary, in anticipation of Taxes for the coming year.

ART. 12.—To see if the Town will raise money for cemeteries.

ART. 13.—To see if the Town will bring suit against the Town of Hatfield to recover the expenses resulting from aid rendered the family of John Wagner.

And you are hereby directed to serve this Warrant by posting up attested copies at each of the Post Offices in said Town, said posting to be seven days at least before the time of holding said meeting.

Hereof fail not, and make due return of this Warrant with your doings thereon, to the Town Clerk, at the time and place of meeting as aforesaid.

Given under our hands this seventeenth day of February, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and six.

SETH B. CRAFTS,	}	<i>Selectmen of Whately.</i>
COOLEY B. DICKINSON,		
CHARLES E. BARDWELL,		

Town Clerk's Report.

The vital statistics of the Town of Whately for the year 1905.

BIRTHS REGISTERED IN WHATELY 1905.

February 20. Patrick Leo Brennan to Thomas C. and Lucy G. Brennan.

February 21. Lucy Violet Scott to Edward R. and Ethel B. Scott.

April 4. Lemuel L. Field to Charles W. and Cora E. Field.

April 4. Laura L. Field to Charles W. and Cora E. Field.

April 14. Lassin Kuliso to Aleck and Antonia G. Kuliso.

May 27. ——— Koleski to Albert and Aunela Koleski.

June 5. Minnie Sabalensky to Mikel and Rosa Sabalensky.

June 6. Alice A. Beers to Walter M. and Nellie M. Beers.

June 13. Donald E. Waite to Lester E. and Alice H. Waite.

July 3. ——— Ciboroske to Frank and Lena Ciboroske.

July 3. Richard G. Bartlett to Irving L. and Bessie L. Bartlett.

July 5. Louisa Sabalesisky to Mikel and Rosa Sabalisisky.

July 9. ——— Noska to Joseph and Lena Noska.

July 28. ——— Viaeske to Kasmis and Helena Viaeske.

August 22. ——— Andrewlantz to Mikel and Justina Andrewlantz.

August 31. Leroy A. Crafts to Allen P. and Mary A. Crafts.

September 5. Julia C. Narkun to Vincent and Annie T. Narkun.

October 24. Aleksandra Gromancky to Alexander and Mary-anna Gromancky.

October 25. Wikton Lake to John and Frances Lake.

December 2. Ruth A. Morton to Orson E. and Bessie M. Morton.

December 30. Catherine E. Heafey to Nicholas T. and Margaret E. Heafey.

Comparison table of births for the last five years :

1901	1902	1903	1904	1905
14	22	20	30	22

MARRIAGES REGISTERED.

February 30. Alexander Gromocki of Whately, 21; Mary Sarafen of Northampton, 19.

May 6. Henry C. Morey of Conway, 23; Martha L. Scott of Whately, 18.

May 10. John N. Heafey of Whately, 22; Ellen E. Boyle of Hatfield, 22.

May 10. Michael E. Flavin of Whately, 24; Johanna Z. Fleming of Whately, 24.

May 24. Richard J. Callahan of Whately, 24; Mary Merrick of Hatfield, 21.

Comparison table of marriages for the last five years :

1901	1902	1903	1904	1905
12	3	14	10	5

DEATHS REGISTERED.

Date.	Name.	yrs.	m.	d.
Jan. 19.	Charles A. Hastings,	77		
Feb. 17.	William Cahill,	76		
March 11.	George Chandler,	39		
April 9.	Julian Rutkowsky,	1		
April 27.	Clarissa Adkins,	77	1	9
April 27.	George F. Pease,	36	2	15
May 26.	Frances Potter,	78	2	22
July 8.	Timothy D. Griffin,	54		
July 22.	Lemuel L. Field,		3	16
Aug. 12.	Rufus D. Waite,	70	4	
Aug. 23.	Asa Dickinson,	86	9	16
Aug. 25.	Thomas Crafts,	65		9
Oct. 1.	Chester Damon,	76	11	2
Oct. 14.	Ariette S. Smith,	72	1	17
Oct. 28.	Lewis A. Scott,	31	7	19
Nov. 7.	Charles B. Chaffee,	77	8	4
Dec. 10.	Hannah F. Train,	82	8	22

Comparison table of deaths for the last five years :

1901	1902	1903	1904	1905
11	19	13	18	17

If any mistakes have been made in the above records, either in names or dates, if those interested will inform the Town Clerk of the fact, the records will be corrected.

The number of dogs licensed during the year ending December 31, 1905, with the receipts and settlement of the account with the County Treasurer, is as follows :

43 male dogs at \$2.00,	\$ 86 00
13 spayed female dogs \$2.00,	26 00
7 female dogs at \$5.00,	35 00
Total tax,	\$147 00
Less fees 63 dogs at 20 cents,	12 60
Balance,	\$134 40
Paid E. A. Newcomb, County Treasurer,	\$134 40

Comparison table for the last five years :

1901	1902	1903	1904	1905
\$135.00	\$123.60	\$120.60	\$114.60	\$134.40

Respectfully submitted,

GEORGE A. ELDER, Town Clerk.

HISTORY OF WHATELY.

I herewith submit my seventh annual report as agent of the Town for the sale of the History of Whately.

Number of books on hand as per last report,	426
Number of books sold,	4
Number of books exchanged with other publishers,	3
	7
Balance of books on hand,	419

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

Dr.

Received from sale of 1 book at \$5.00,	\$ 5 00
“ “ 1 “ 4.00,	4 00
“ “ 2 “ 3.00,	6 00
	\$15 00

Cr.

By amount paid R. C. Howes, Treasurer, \$15 00

GEORGE A. ELDER.

Collector's Report.

W. H. ADKINS in account with the Town of Whately.

Dr.

State Tax,	\$ 600 00	
County Tax,	1,021 75	
Highway Special Tax,	95 00	
Town Tax,	4,522 09	
Excise Tax,	108 17	
Overlaying,	105 42	
		\$6,452 43

Cr.

Amount paid Treasurer,	\$6,116 80	
Discount,	159 05	
Uncollected Taxes,	176 58	
		\$6,452 43

LIST OF JURORS

PREPARED BY THE REGISTRARS.

Frederick Lyman Graves,	John B. Flavin,
Cooley B. Dickinson,	Victor D. Bardwell,
Warren P. Crafts,	George A. Elder,
Charles E. Bardwell,	Seth B. Crafts,
Thomas Mullaney,	Frank Dickinson,
Charles A. Bardwell,	William H. Adkins,

Treasurer's Report.

RECEIPTS.

RYLAN C. HOWES, Treasurer, in Acct. with Town of Whately.

Dr.

To cash from R. C. Howes, ex-Treas.,	\$2,542 90
Jas. A. Wood, Coll., taxes in full, 1904,	531 93
Wm. H. Adkins, " " " 1905,	6,275 85
Arthur B. Chapin, State Treas. :	
State Board Charity,	114 00
Inspection Animals,	13 00
Corporation Tax,	6 87
National Bank Tax,	509 78
State Aid,	288 00
Street Railway Tax,	102 44
High School Tuitions,	536 25
High School Fund,	416 29
Town's Share School Fund,	657 30
J. J. Coogan, liquor license,	250 00
J. Alfred Mitchell, city auditor, Boston,	28 50
H. W. Billings, Treas., for G. Chandler,	26 65
H. S. Higgins, Supt. salary,	167 97
L. F. Crafts, cemetery,	59 00
W. S. Allen, court fines,	30 00
E. A. Newcomb, County Treas., Dog Fund,	51 73
H. S. Childs, Treas., line stones,	6 50
F. G. Bardwell, interest on Town Note,	180 00
C. B. Dickinson, old plank,	6 00
H. E. Roote, school,	25
G. A. Elder, Histories,	15 00
Jasper Kautz, tile,	21 50
	\$12,837 71

ORDERS PAID.

RYLAN C. HOWES, Treasurer, in Acct. with Town of Whately.

Dr.

1905 and 1906.

By Outstanding Orders,	\$844 63
Old Bills,	235 45
Contingent,	464 03
State Aid,	244 00
Poor,	525 99
Highways,	938 44
Schools,	3,633 86
Bridges and Culverts,	419 68
Cemeteries,	175 76
Town Hall,	278 37
Railings,	32 93
Library,	130 81
County Tax,	1,021 75
State Tax,	600 00
Liquor License,	62 50
State Highway,	95 00
Abatements,	19 44
Discounts,	159 95
Town Officers,	449 00
Balance,	2,507 02
	—————\$12,837 71

February, 1906

We have this day settled with the said Rylan C. Howes, Treasurer of the Town of Whately, and find in his hands and due the said Town of Whately, the sum of Twenty-five Hundred Seven and $\frac{02}{100}$ (2,507.02).

SETH B. CRAFTS,	} <i>Selectmen</i> <i>of</i> <i>Whately.</i>
COOLEY B. DICKINSON,	
CHARLES. E. BARDWELL,	

LYMAN A. CRAFTS, *Auditor.*

Selectmen's Report.

Following the example of our worthy predecessors and complying with the requirements of the Statutes, the Selectmen and Overseers of the Poor submit the following report, hoping that you will find but little to criticize and nothing to condemn.

The record of the work in the different departments of Town affairs and the expense of each will be found in detail in their proper places. This record has been passed upon by your Auditor after a careful examination. We leave it for you to pass upon, trusting that whatever merits your approval will receive it.

POOR.

Early in the year one George Chandler fell into distress in this town and died. The town was obliged to bury him at our expense. On investigation we found that he had acquired a settlement in Conway, and that town has reimbursed the amount paid by our town.

Later, one George Waite became a public charge. Williamsburg was notified, but refused to take him, claiming he belonged to the State. We communicated with the State Board and they sent an agent, who concluded that Waite and Edgar Belden belonged to the State. We hear that the Board has since arrived at the conclusion that Waite belongs to Williamsburg.

Some of our pauper laws are so awkward and difficult that the ordinary selectman is unable to decide what legislative intention was when the laws were drawn.

HIGHWAYS.

Our roads have not suffered as much as usual from destructive storms. They are not perfect (imperfection is stamped upon everything), but are in fair condition for country roads. It has been necessary to expend more money on bridges than usual. We have replanked three of the longest Mill River bridges, two of the longest West Brook bridges and the Roaring Brook bridge. Most of our bridges need painting, but have been neglected. We intended to paint them last summer, but painters were scarce.

TOWN HALL.

In accordance with the instructions of the Town, the improvements on the Town Hall have been made. There has been book-cases placed in the Selectmen's office for the Supreme Court Decisions, as these books are valuable and should be carefully kept.

CONTINGENT.

Gazette Printing Co., printing Town Report,	\$28 00
F. A. Crafts, freight,	5 22
Seth B. Crafts, two edges for Road Machine,	16 00
Howes & Roote, supplies for Hall and Library,	18 70
Henry A. Brown, janitor Town Hall 4 months,	3 33
Cecil T. Bagnall, printing Assessors' lists,	6 45
Joseph Phelix,	1 00
M. W. Mosely, difference between the Acme Road Machine and the Buckeye Road Machine,	138 25
Frank T. Woodward, Collector's bond for \$2,500,	10 00
Fred L. Graves, repairs on Road Machine,	8 00
F. A. Crafts, freight,	12 96
“ “	3 69
O. E. Morton, repairs on Road Machine,	1 95
Fred L. Graves, “ “ “	9 80
Wm. H. Adkins, tax on town land,	2 52
L. F. Crafts, painting Road Machine.	3 00

J. B. Bridges, fees in cases of Antonna Stiner, Geo.	
Stiner, James Rarfl,	\$10 63
Charles E. Bardwell, perambulating town lines,	7 50
Seth B. Crafts, " " "	8 50
Cooley B. Dickinson, " " "	1 00
Howes & Roote, supplies for Hall and Library,	17 46
Charles E. Bardwell, bound stone setting between	
Whately and Deerfield,	13 00
Irving Allis, inspecting cattle,	29 00
" " water tank,	10 00
Charles E. Bardwell, furnishings for Town Hall,	2 00
J. B. Bridges, fees in cases of Witek Wartali \$9.83,	
David Allen \$5.69,	15 52
George E. Sanderson, support of water tank,	3 00
Warren P. Crafts, " " "	5 00
George B. McClellan, " " "	5 00
Henry W. Bardwell, " " "	10 00
Lyman A. Crafts, " " "	10 00
Geo. A. Elder, services as Elector, going to Montague	
with transcript of votes, justice fees, express,	
postage, recording births, marriages and deaths,	45 05
R. C. Howes, Treasurer's bond,	10 00
Lucius Meekins, ringing the bell,	10 00
Fay B. Bardwell, janitor Town Hall,	6 66
Gazette Printing Co., printing voters' lists,	4 00
Seth B. Crafts, paid Dr. Moline for examinations in	
supposed cases of scarlatina,	1 50
Charles E. Bardwell, time and expense, $\frac{1}{2}$ day to North-	
ampton, 1 day to Williamsburg in George Waite's case,	3 50
Victor D. Bardwell, wood for Town Hall,	5 62
Fay B. Bardwell, working up and putting in wood,	1 00
Seth B. Crafts, attorney's fees and time and expenses	
in pauper cases,	24 00
R. C. Howes, stationery and postage,	10 00
L. F. Crafts, reporting deaths,	4 25
J. D. Seymour, reporting 12 births,	6 00
Samuel A. Wood, inspector of meat,	8 25
	\$556 31

BRIDGES AND CULVERTS.

Knowlton & Stone, akron pipe,	\$ 50 36
Charles E. Bardwell,	3 80
William P. Smith,	50
Lennie Sanderson, plank,	36 99
H. W. Bardwell,	75
Fay B. Bardwell,	3 07
Fred B. Bardwell,	60
Howes & Roote,	88
Henry W. Bardwell,	17 85
Charles E. Bardwell,	17 10
Harry Newhall, plank,	57 07
Henry Guyette,	83
Thomas Flemming,	7 55
Knowlton & Stone,	139 54
Seth B. Crafts,	6 50
O. E. Morton,	75
Warren P. Crafts,	12 06
Frank O. Scott,	23 67
Harry Newhall, plank,	36 39
William Koncal,	2 45
Henry W. Bardwell,	1 80
Patrick Dalton,	1 50
George A. Gunn, plank,	13 00
	\$435 01

HIGHWAYS.

R. McClellan,	\$ 0 37
George B. McClellan,	60
Lennie Sanderson,	17 10
Charles S. Sanderson,	9 75
Henry Sharp,	12 95
E. E. Sanderson,	1 50
E. S. Grover,	12 12
George D. Field,	3 75
Lucien Moody,	8 80

Fred B. Bardwell,	\$3 00
John F. Moore,	7 50
A. J. Coddling,	5 75
Patrick Dalton,	7 50
J. E. Waite, gravel \$3.50, culvert \$1.50, highway \$3.50,	8 50
Willis F. Waite,	12 55
Edward W. Bardwell,	3 50
Victor D. Bardwell,	2 25
William Koncal,	14 00
Charles E. Bardwell,	31 35
John Kennedy,	7 00
Charles A. Bardwell,	10 00
R. Moshier Swift,	3 00
George B. McClellan,	5 00
Emerson Warner,	13 00
Cooley B. Dickinson,	15 75
Robert Dickinson,	7 00
Frank S. Bardwell,	15 00
Leroy Lawrence,	2 25
Orson Morton,	5 75
Charles E. Bardwell,	36 65
Leroy Lawrence,	2 25
Patrick Dalton,	2 00
William Koncal,	7 85
Sherman Bardwell,	1 50
Thomas Flemming,	2 25
Fred Crafts,	3 30
Allen Crafts,	1 22
Henry Bardwell,	11 20
Clarence I. Allis,	48 00
Lennie Sanderson,	45 50
James Nolan,	30
Charles S. Sanderson,	2 25
William P. Smith,	1 50
A. L. Adkins,	2 25
S. B. Crafts,	16 30
Morris Powers,	7 30
C. B. Dickinson,	3 00

Charles E. Bardwell,	\$16 92
William P. Smith,	4 31
Elisha Grover,	9 05
Clarence I. Allis,	16 00
Lennie Sanderson,	16 00
Henry W. Bardwell,	3 10
Joseph Phelix,	4 00
Dwight L. Crafts,	6 25
Charles E. Bardwell,	6 00
Clarence I. Allis,	5 50
Elisha Grover,	1 50
Seth B. Crafts,	3 25
Lucien Moody,	45
Charles Pease,	3 50
Morris Powers,	6 50
John Brunkard,	5 00
Charles Will,	2 70
Wells T. Smith, 81 loads gravel for hardening,	4 05
Charles J. Smith,	3 50
Lewis Scott,	6 85
Lennie Sanderson,	4 00
Charles Dawdon,	9 00
Seth B. Crafts,	8 85
Lennie Sanderson,	8 70
Clarence I. Allis,	11 00
Patrick Dalton,	10 00
Ed. E. Sanderson,	6 00
Henry W. Bardwell,	1 50
Willis F. Waite,	3 50
Henry Hoar,	10 00
Wm. Koncal,	6 85
Chas. E. Bardwell,	24 00
Cooley B. Dickinson,	12 75
John Kennedy,	10 00
Geo. B. McClellan,	10 50
Emerson C. Warner,	28 65

Clarence I. Allis,	\$14 25
Patrick Dalton,	3 50
Willis F. Waite,	4 25
Lennie Sanderson,	5 25
Henry Sharp,	5 00
Henry W. Bardwell,	1 50
Fred B. Bardwell,	1 50
Patrick Dalton,	1 75
Willis F. Waite,	1 50
Lennie Sanderson,	1 50
H. W. Bardwell,	2 25
Henry Hoar,	22 68
Cooley B. Dickinson,	12 00
Charles E. Bardwell,	4 00
“ “	3 25
Seth B. Crafts,	12 35
“ “	12 00
Henry Sharp,	5 00
Ed. E. Sanderson,	1 50
Lennie Sanderson,	4 90
Wm. S. Munson,	1 50
Wm. Koncal,	3 10
Lucien Moody,	2 10
Fred B. Bardwell,	3 75
Willis F. Waite,	3 00
J. E. Waite,	2 15
Chas. E. Bardwell,	5 80
Cooley B. Dickinson,	7 00
Seth B. Crafts,	6 15
George E. Sanderson,	8 45
Charles S. Sanderson,	75

\$894 62

HIGHWAY SPECIAL.

HARDENING STRAIT'S ROAD.

Charles J. Smith, drawing hardening,	\$11 38
Morton Twomey, " "	11 38
Charles Pease, " "	11 38
F. D. Belden, " "	9 63
Morris Powers, " "	20 38
John Brunkard, " "	16 26
Dennis Hayes, " "	3 75
George Stiner, " "	1 50
Wells T. Smith, 210 loads of gravel,	10 50
Mrs. Mary Quinn, drawing hardening,	11 38
	\$107 54

OLD BILLS.

J. B. Bridges, fees in criminal cases,	\$38 21
Cooley B. Dickinson, highway,	17 40
Mrs. Elizabeth Hickey, keeping tramps,	1 50
Wilber Grover, highway work,	1 00
Leroy Lawrence, " "	50
L. C. Sanderson, " "	87
C. B. Dickinson, paid acct. Polander,	2 25
Fred W. Bardwell, highway work,	1 15
Quinn Bros., " "	9 25
Chas. J. Smith, " "	8 60
Henry Sharp, " "	2 25
John Brunkard, " "	4 80
Clarence I. Allis, " "	6 00
Howard C. Field, " "	1 12
Henry W. Bardwell, " "	1 50
Seth B. Crafts, " "	7 45
George E. Sanderson,	9 50
A. M. Dawling, repairs on Sunderland bridge,	19 65
Luther Clark, admr. Allis Estate, 441 loads gravel,	22 05
Treas. of Northamp'n, aid to Carroll family and suit costs,	80 40
	\$235 45

POOR.

Support of Dudley Belden at Dwight Dickinson's,	\$130 33
“ Edgar Belden at Walter Cooley's,	58 72
Leander F. Crafts, casket, undertaker services in case of George Chandler,	25 00
Cooley B. Dickinson, expenses in case of Geo. Chandler,	1 65
Support of Geo. Waite at Lennie Sanderson's,	88 63
“ Rose Warner and family,	173 71
“ Chester Damon at George N. Smith's,	77 40
	\$555 44

SOLDIERS' RELIEF.

Town of Hadley, aid furnished Bela K. Crafts,	8 30
	\$563 74

STATE AID (Chap. 381, Acts of 1904).

Edward E. Sanderson,	\$48 00
Stephen G. Stearns,	16 00
Henry A. Brown,	16 00
Lucien Moody,	48 00
Chas. E. Jewett,	72 00
Ezra Gerran,	64 00
	\$264 00

ABATEMENTS.

James Arthur Wood,	\$19 44
--------------------	---------

LIBRARY.

S. E. Bridgman, books,	\$88 81
Chas. E. Crafts, books and necessary expenses,	20 92
Mrs. George A. Elder, salary as Librarian,	40 00
Ellen Damon, cleaning Library,	2 00
	\$151 73

TOWN HALL.

Repairs,	\$335 84
----------	----------

CEMETERIES.

Cemetery Commissioners' orders drawn amount to	\$175 76
--	----------

See Cemetery Commissioners' Report.

The income of the following gifts are to be used for cemetery purposes :

Miss Betsey Waite \$100, deposited in the Easthampton Savings Bank, to care for father's lots in the West Whately cemetery.

Miss Mary Dickinson \$1,000, secured by mortgage, after caring for the three Dickinson lots in a becoming manner, the remaining unused income to be used in general improvement of the Center Cemetery.

SCHOOLS, SCHOOL SUPPLIES AND REPAIRS.

Orders have been drawn amounting to	\$4,356 30
-------------------------------------	------------

See School Committee's Report for detailed statement.

TOWN OFFICERS.

SELECTMEN.

Cooley B. Dickinson,	\$50 00
Charles E. Bardwell,	50 00
Seth B. Crafts,	100 00
	\$200 00

ASSESSORS.

Wm. H. Adkins,	\$37 00
Fay B. Bardwell,	27 50
Thomas F. Callahan,	39 50
	\$104 00

COLLECTOR.

J. Arthur Wood,	\$100 00
-----------------	----------

TREASURER.

Rylan C. Howes,	\$50 00
-----------------	---------

AUDITOR.

Lyman A. Crafts,	\$3 50
------------------	--------

STATE TAX.

Arthur B. Chapin,	\$600 00
-------------------	----------

COUNTY TAX.

Eugene A. Newcomb,	\$1,021 75
--------------------	------------

STATE HIGHWAY REPAIRS.

Arthur B. Chapin,	\$95 00
-------------------	---------

ELECTION OFFICERS.

REGISTRARS.

George A. Elder,	\$15 00
Seth B. Crafts,	15 00
Cooley B. Dickinson,	15 00
Charles E. Bardwell,	15 00
	\$60 00

BALLOT CLERKS.

Charles H. Waite,	\$2 50
Michael Flavin,	2 50
	\$5 00

RECAPITULATION OF ORDERS DRAWN.

Old Bills,	\$235 45
Cemetery,	175 76
Highways,	894 62
Poor,	563 74
Contingent,	556 31
Bridges and Culverts,	1,435 01
County Tax,	1,021 75
Discount on Taxes,	159 05
Town Officers,	457 50
Library,	151 73
Abatements,	19 44
State Aid,	264 00
Town Hall Repairs,	335 84
Highway Special,	107 54
Liquor License,	62 50
State Tax,	600 00
State Highway Repairs,	95 00
Election Officers,	65 00
	\$6,200 24

LIABILITIES OF THE TOWN, FEB. 17, 1906.

Outstanding Orders of 1905-06,	\$1,070 48
“ “ 1904-05,	19 50
	\$1,089 98

ASSETS OF THE TOWN.

Cash in the Treasury,	\$2,507 02
Due from State Aid,	312 00
Uncollected Taxes of 1905,	176 58
Town Lands, 68½ acres,	300 00
	\$3,295 60

TOWN PROPERTY.

Town Hall,	\$4,000 00
Library, and Supreme Court Decisions,	800 00
Safe, furniture in Hall and Library,	400 00
Derrick, two Road Machines, Scrapers,	350 00
Six School Houses,	2,000 00
Storehouse,	50 00
	\$7,600 00

SETH B. CRAFTS,	} <i>Selectmen</i>	
COOLEY B. DICKINSON,		of
CHARLES E. BARDWELL,		} <i>Whately.</i>

AUDITOR'S REPORT.

I certify that I have examined and compared the accounts of the Selectmen, School Committee, Tax Collector, and Treasurer, and find that there is in the hands of R. C. Howes, Town Treasurer, \$2,507.02. That the amount of taxes uncollected is \$176.58, and that there are outstanding orders amounting to \$1,089.98. Of this amount,

\$ 19.50 is old orders of 1904-05.

348.04 Selectmen's orders 1905-06

722.44 School Committee 1905-06.

\$1,089 98

LYMAN A. CRAFTS, Auditor.

Whately, Feb. 24, 1906.

Cemetery Commissioners' Report.

Report of Cemetery Commissioners for 1905.

There has been expended on the North West Cemetery,	\$25	76
“ “ “ Center	“	50 05
“ “ “ East	“	100 00
		\$175 81

Received for lots in the Center Cemetery, \$59 00

Report shows we have expended \$175.81. East Cemetery fence is unfinished which will require \$100 more to complete it. We would like \$10 more than Dickinson fund for Center Cemetery, and \$25 for North West Cemetery. We would ask the Town to appropriate \$135 for the year 1906.

L. F. CRAFTS.
J. L. MOODY.

Report of Library Trustees.

Your Library Trustees respectfully present the following report :

During the past year 85 books have been purchased at a cost of \$88.81 ; 32 books to the value of \$53 were received from the State. Mr. John P. Davis presented the library with three volumes of Carlyle's Frederick The Great. Mr. Davis' gift is greatly appreciated.

Total number of books added to library during the past year, 120. Twenty-five cents was received from fines during the year, which was expended for tissue used in repairing books.

A new system has been adopted for charging books to patrons of the library similar to the one now in use at the Forbes library in Northampton. It has been the aim of your trustees to introduce the best system now in use in the larger places to our own library.

We now have 2,741 volumes ; some of the books are very badly worn and will undoubtedly have to be withdrawn from the library, which will somewhat reduce the total number of books.

RECEIPTS FOR 1905.

Town appropriation,	\$100 00	
Dog Fund,	51 73	
		\$151 73

EXPENSES FOR 1905.

S. E. Bridgman, books,	\$88 81	
Librarian,	40 00	
Partial payment on typewriter,	16 42	
Cleaning Library,	2 00	
Cards, card pockets,	2 85	
Sundries,	1 65	
		\$151 73

C. E. CRAFTS,	} <i>Library</i>	
A. H. BEERS,		} <i>Trustees.</i>
H. S. HIGGINS,		

Report of School Committee.

The Committee submit the following report :

Our expenses this year have been somewhat larger than usual, but with the changes made in school-houses and the improvements in the school work, we think the money has been well expended.

We have added a class room to both South Center and Southeast school-houses and employ two teachers in each. We did this as both schools were too large for one teacher to do satisfactory work with up-to-date methods of teaching. Many of our children go to outside high schools, and to get them there we must keep abreast of the times; methods of fifty years ago won't do it. School-room work was never so good as it is to-day, but we are doing about all we can do under the district school system. There is only one way out of our difficulty, and that is to consolidate our schools. A central building with three teachers would do more work and better work than we are doing to-day with six. The district school system is antiquated, and we hope the town will see fit to make the change before long.

We have had expenses we did not expect. Soon after school began in the fall the ceiling at the North Center fell off, and it was necessary to put on a new one, which was expensive. In making our repairs, we made such changes in the building that it was necessary to paint the whole structure inside and out, which was not anticipated. The buildings now are in good condition, and only a few general repairs will have to be made the coming year.

We received this year \$1,073.59 from the Massachusetts School Fund, the largest amount ever received, and if we continue our present policy, we shall get much more than that. The laws regulating the distribution of the Fund are so fixed

that a town must do something for itself in order to obtain the entire benefit. The money is not given to lessen taxation, but to enable towns like ours to improve their schools in ways which they could not otherwise afford ; and it remains with us whether we shall receive from the Fund \$500 or \$1,500. We can put in a few dollars extra and the State will return us many. For the past few years we have been increasing our expenses a little each year, and the amounts given below received from the Massachusetts School Fund during the last six years will show the success of this policy :

1901,	\$350 00
1902,	363 17
1903,	730 46
1904,	972 39
1905,	1,001 95
1906,	1,073 59

As our expenses during this time up to the present year have only increased about four hundred dollars, it seems to us the investment has been a good one. We do not receive money on this year's expense until January, 1907, and it can easily be seen by the above figures that the amount will be much in excess of anything we have yet received.

The Superintendent's report, which follows, thoroughly covers the ground of the school-room work, so it is not necessary to enter into a detailed account of the same here.

We recommend the following appropriations : Schools, repairs and supplies, \$1,800 ; Superintendent, \$100.

Respectfully submitted,

HERBERT E. ROOTE,	}	<i>School Committee.</i>
LESLIE E. WAITE,		
HENRY S. HIGGINS,		

RESOURCES.

Balance, 1905,	\$ 322 49	
Appropriation,	2,100 00	
State Wards,	114 00	
High School tuitions,	536 25	
Massachusetts School Fund,	1,073 59	
City Wards,	28 50	
Superintendent's salary,	167 97	
H. E. Roote,	25	
Overdrawn,	13 25	
		\$4,356 30

EXPENDITURES.

Teachers,	\$1,986 50	
Supplies,	316 24	
Transportation,	240 00	
Fuel,	68 78	
Superintendent,	214 68	
School Committee,	100 00	
Care of School-houses,	90 47	
Ordinary repairs,	205 12	
Alterations and permanent improvements,	536 15	
Tuitions,	481 00	
Miscellaneous,	117 36	
		\$4,356 30

TEACHERS.

Bertha Hodges,	North West,	\$354 00	
Alice Wilder,	South East,	120 00	
Ruth Jackson,	"	246 50	
Martha Hildreth,	"	186 00	
Carrie Osgood,	North Center,	342 00	
Mary Davis,	South Center,	186 00	
L. Gertrude Waterhouse,	"	342 00	
Mrs. Belle Bullis, Music,		210 00	
			1,986 50

SUPPLIES.

Edward Babb & Co., books, etc.,	\$186 32	
Milton Bradley & Co., kindergarten,	9 16	
J. L. Hammett Co., furniture, etc.,	59 52	
O. D. Case & Co., blackboards,	17 60	
Ginn & Co., books,	1 82	
J. E. Lambie & Co., curtains,	4 38	
H. E. Roote, cash paid,	5 00	
C. N. Fitts, curtain rods,	1 76	
Howes & Roote, sundries,	25 84	
Silver, Burdette & Co., books,	4 84	
		\$ 316 24

TRANSPORTATION.

Leslie Waite, North West,	\$ 180 00	
S. A. Wood, South East,	60 00	
		\$240 00

FUEL.

Henry Guyette,	\$ 3 25	
George Gunn,	4 00	
V. D. Bardwell,	20 74	
L. A. Scott,	40 79	
		\$ 68 78

SUPERINTENDENT.

Myron J. Willson,	\$ 214 68
-------------------	-----------

SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

H. E. Roote,	50 00	
L. E. Waite,	25 00	
H. S. Higgins,	25 00	\$100 00

CARE OF SCHOOL HOUSES.

Lucien Moody, Janitor,	\$ 10 25	
Mrs. Wm. Stripp, cleaning,	3 00	
Leslie Waite, cash paid,	9 55	
Susie Hayes, cleaning,	4 00	
Stanley Farruk, labor,	4 00	
Frank Farruk, Janitor,	3 00	
Ellen Damon, cleaning,	5 00	
G. E. Arms, labor,	1 87	
Pearl White, Janitor,	12 60	
George Scott, “	9 00	
F. F. Crafts, labor,	2 00	
D. L. Crafts, “	50	
Mrs. J. A. Elder, “	1 00	
S. C. Kingsley, “	4 00	
Frank Graves, “	9 00	
Marshall Pease, Janitor,	3 20	
H. E. Roote, cash paid,	8 00	
Walter Beers,	50	
		\$ 90 47

ORDINARY REPAIRS.

O. E. Morton,	\$11 45	
Irving Bartlett,	62 42	
S. A. Wood,	1 60	
L. B. Cobb,	5 70	
Edw. Connelly,	82 84	
L. F. Crafts,	41 11	
		\$205 12

ALTERATIONS AND PERMANENT IMPROVEMENTS.

O. E. Morton, Southeast,	\$289 00	
Edw. Connelly, South Center,	200 00	
Hawes & Grey, North Center,	47 15	
		\$536 15

TUITIONS.

G. H. Danforth, Greenfield,	\$ 11 25	
G. W. Clark, Northampton,	415 00	
Town of Deerfield,	54 75	
		\$481 00

MISCELLANEOUS.

Myron J. Willson, cash paid,	\$ 5 59	
H. E. Roote, cash paid, two trips to Boston,		
one to Hartford, freight and express,	35 00	
Ella Elder, census, care of books, cash paid,	19 50	
Louis Arms, stoves, labor,	46 72	
Dr. Moline, care of Joe Pocket,	1 75	
F. E. Crafts, labor,	1 50	
L. E. Crafts, Truant Officer,	7 30	
		\$117 36

Superintendent's Report.

To the School Committee of Whately:

GENTLEMEN:—I herewith submit to you and, through you, to the citizens of the town this my third annual report as Superintendent of your schools.

It gives me pleasure to say that the work being done in the schools this year is the most satisfactory, in many respects, that I have seen since being connected with them. In the things that go to make schools successful morally and physically as well as intellectually there has been steady improvement. These things cannot be judged wholly by presents and averages, but by the attitude of the pupils and teachers toward each other and toward their work, as well as the conduct of the pupils in school and out.

The attendance has been good, as will be seen by the table given later in this report, and, with the exception of one month when scarlet fever kept many of the children out, it has been remarkably good. This is doubtless due in part to the excellent weather during the early part of the winter, but credit is also due the teachers for their untiring efforts in this direction and the firm attitude taken by the Committee and the Truant Officer to put a stop to unlawful absence.

The worst difficulty with which we have had to contend in previous years was somewhat superficial teaching, made unavoidable by the fact that each teacher had more classes than she could successfully instruct. This reduced to a minimum the attention the teacher could give to the individual pupils under her care. Such individual attention is absolutely necessary

during the early years of a child's life if the results are to be at all satisfactory. The employing of assistant teachers in the South and East schools has removed this difficulty to a very large extent, and the work has been greatly improved. The teachers have been able to do more real teaching and the pupils have felt a greater interest in their work. More concentrated attention on the work in hand and more thorough knowledge of subject matter has been the result. It will take time for the real value of this to become generally apparent, but a foundation has been laid and, if no backward steps are taken, this year will mark the beginning of a new and better era for the schools of the town.

The work in music, which was started last year, has been carried on very successfully. The pupils have been interested in the work and the teachers have ably seconded the efforts of the supervisor, whose report is given later.

This year an effort has been made to put the work in drawing on a more systematic basis. Miss Ruth Jackson, the teacher in charge of the East school, is a graduate of the Normal Art School, and is well fitted to teach and supervise school drawing. Arrangements were made with her by which, with very little extra expense, she gives a half-day each fortnight to supervising the drawing in the other schools of the town. The results have been very gratifying. Not only have the pupils taken hold of the work with enthusiasm, but some very creditable work has been done. The aim has been to give an idea of the underlying principles and, at the same time, show the relation of this subject to the others the children are studying and how it can be applied to them.

A good beginning has been made, but this must be followed up systematically if permanent good is to result from it. Nothing short of systematic effort covering a considerable period of time, gives good results in school work, and this is especially true of drawing. Therefore I hope that some satisfactory arrangement may be made by which this work can be continued next year.

While the work of the year has been eminently satisfactory in most cases, it is not yet beyond improvement. Moreover, it has

been expensive to carry on. But if four separate schools are to be maintained, it is difficult to see how this expense can be materially cut down without undoing the good already accomplished. It is always expensive to duplicate plants when one can do the work just as well. If all the pupils in town were brought together in one building, three teachers could do the work for which six are now employed and do it even better than it is now being done. Besides, the saving in salaries, repairs, fuel and other incidentals would, I believe, more than balance the additional cost of transportation. There would also be a saving in supervision, as a considerable part of the time the supervisors can give to the town is now spent on the road going from one school to another.

Doubtless the chief objection to this is that transportation of pupils is not desirable. Other towns are doing it, however, and the experience of these towns has proved that it is better for the pupils and economy for the town to close the small out-schools and bring the children together at some central place for their instruction. The children do better work and better assistance can be given them by the teachers.

It may not be practicable to go so far as this next year, but I believe that the two Center schools can be combined at the end of this year to excellent advantage. The South Center building has a class room in which the lower grades now do their work and which is large enough to accommodate all the younger pupils of the two schools. As will be seen by the table of attendance given elsewhere in this report, the number of pupils in both these schools this year is but little greater than in the East school, where two teachers are doing the work with excellent results. By combining these two schools, the salary of one teacher could be saved, and one team could do all the transporting that would be necessary. I believe that this plan would result in real economy of money and effort and that the pupils would be better off than under the present arrangement. I trust that you will give this plan your careful consideration.

In concluding this report I wish to express my appreciation of the earnest and faithful work of the teachers and supervisors,

and to thank them for the hearty co-operation they have given me. I wish also to thank the Committee for their courtesy and support.

Respectfully submitted,
 MYRON J. WILLSON,
 Superintendent of Schools.

REPORT OF THE SUPERVISOR OF MUSIC.

Mr. M. J. Willson:

DEAR SIR:—There has been steady progress in the music this year.

One of the essential and difficult things in ungraded schools is to provide work not too simple for the older pupils nor too difficult for the younger ones. We have tried to equalize things somewhat by introducing two-part exercises and songs, letting the older pupils sing the lower part, which is always the more difficult thing to do.

Individual singing, upon which real success depends, has been the main point of attack. In two cases the first series of individual exercises has been replaced by the more advanced second series, and in one instance the first series has been almost completed since Thanksgiving time, which is very rapid progress.

The results obtained, while creditable, do not satisfy but urge us on to greater effort. Thanks are due your teachers for their earnest and faithful work.

Respectfully submitted,
 BELLE BULLIS, Supervisor of Music.

SCHOOL CALENDAR.

Spring Term, '06—March 26–June 15—12 weeks.

Fall Term, '06—Sept. 3–Nov. 23—12 weeks.

Winter Term, '06—Nov. 26, '06–March 1, '07, 12 weeks.

Spring Term, '07—March 25–June 14—12 weeks.

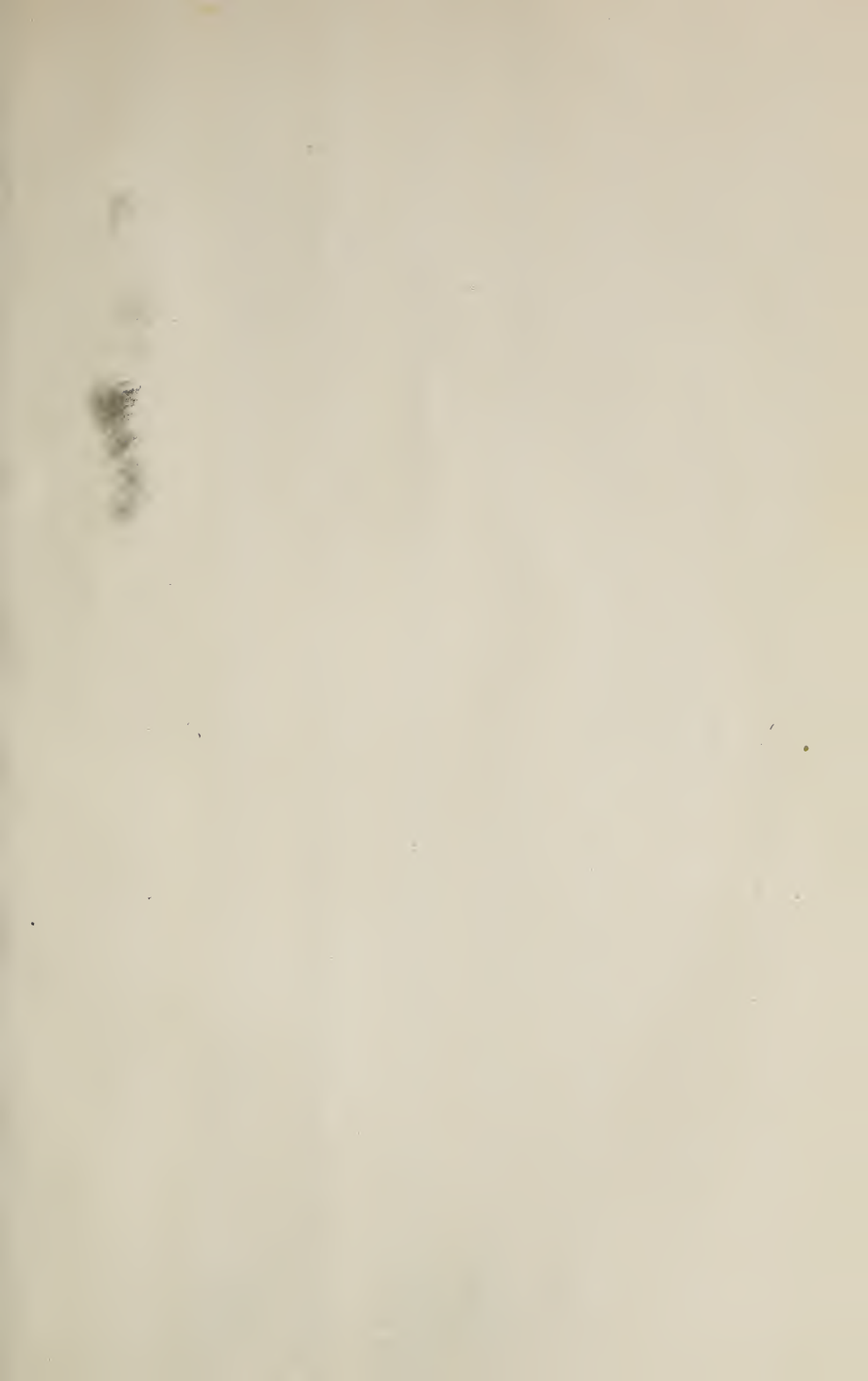
Christmas Vacation—Dec. 21–Jan. 7.

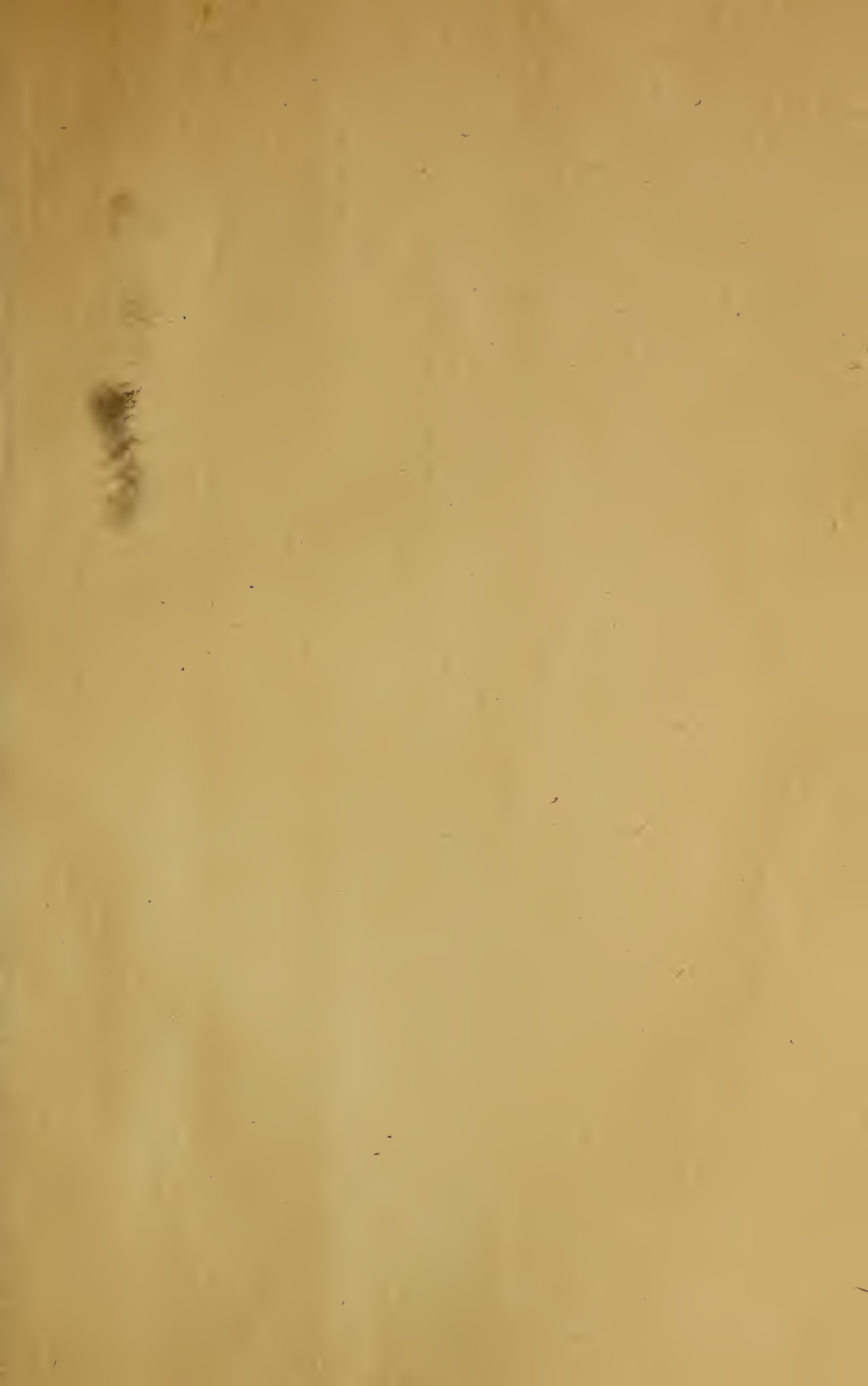
ATTENDANCE FOR FIVE MONTHS ENDING FEB. 2, 1906.

Teacher.	School.	No. of Weeks.		Average Membership.	Average Attendance.	Percentage of Attendance.	Half-days' Absence.	Cases of Tardiness.
		Whole	No. Registered.					
L. Gertrude Waterhouse, Mary Davis, Asst.,	South Center,	20	28	22.9	19.95	87	573	13
Carrie B. Osgood,	North Center,	20	17	13.9	12.8	92.2	135	3
Ruth Jackson, Martha Hildreth, Asst.,	East Whately,	20	35	33	29	88	752	87
Bertha M. Hodges,	West Whately,	20	13	10.85	10.57	97.5	56	2
Totals,		93	80.65	72.32	91	1516	105	

TEACHERS UNDER APPOINTMENT IN TOWN MAR. 1, 1906.

Names of Teachers.	School.	Grades.	Educational and Professional Training.	Salary per Week.	Date of Appointment in Town.
L. Gertrude Waterhouse,	South Center,	4-9	Irving Institute. Sacramento, Cal.	\$9.50	1900
Mary Davis,	South Center,	1-3	North Adams Normal School.	8.00	1905
Carrie B. Osgood,	North Center,	1-8	Westfield Normal School.	9.50	1904
Ruth Jackson,	East Whately,	4-9	Normal Art School.	10.00	1905
Martha Hildreth,	East Whately,	1-3	Westfield Normal School.	8.00	1905
Bertha M. Hodges,	West Whately,	1-7	Westfield Normal School.	9.50	1900







HECKMAN
DERY INC.



SEPT 95

-To -Please® N. MANCHESTER,
INDIANA 46962

